.(c) whether Government propose to reopen the counters; and .

(d) if sp, by when' and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (d) Bank counters|branches having special timings| closed days etc. are opened by the'banks taking into account the clientele that they 'aim to serve and the business they expect to develop while the security aspect is also kept in view while deciding on the location and timing ctf Hie branches temporary disturbances or lawr and order situations do not ordinarily influence such decisions. Howeyer, specific cases in .Gurgaon Dunters|branch-es if indicated , couJd be .examined if there *is* a general need for their functioning- with special timing as reflected in the business handeled by them.

Export of Cotton. Yar

751. SHRI KAMAL- MORARKA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased, to state;

(a) what was the quantity of cotton yarn exported during the last two years and die value thereof;

(b) what will be the expected increase in cotton exports in the current year; and

(c) whether Gpvermnent have any, proposal y to permit the . export of cotton yara, without putting any quantity limit?

THF/ MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA); (a) According to the Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council, • the exports of cotton yarn during the last two years have been as under:—

Year	Quantity (in thousands tonnes)	Value in million
1986 .	16.47 85.96	616.15
1987 .		3267.78

(b) At present, the exports of staple cotton is not being allowed.'

(c) No, Sir.

•Abolition of income tax for lower mcome groups

752. SHRI JKAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be plea--sed to-state;

(a) whether Government have conducted any study to find ont the effect of abolition of income-tax in respect of lower income groups;

(b) whether "cost-benefit analysts'would be made to find out the relationship between • the "cost of collection and' this revenue earned in the case of small tax-payers; and

(c) whether. Government would consider rationalisation of -tax -structure in the light of such study and analysis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): "(a) No, Sir.

b No such proposal is under consi deration at present.

(c) Does not arise in view answer' to (b) above.

Improvement in the working of NTC Gujarat

.753. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state;

(a) whether H is a fact that the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad had made a study of NTC Gujarat Limited;

. (b) whether the working, of NTC Gujarat Limited improved considerably as-a result of. the implementation *ot* the' recommendations of the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (UMA); ami